

EUCC - DEUTSCHLAND

Annual Report 2005

Due to contracts within the research project IKZM-Oder (financed by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research) and the network project CoPraNet (Interreg IIIC) the financial situation of EUCC-Deutschland was stable. The German Küsten Newsletter has been gaining readers continuously. In September, the "International Summer School on Coastal and Marine Management: Baltic Sea and North Sea" was carried out in Warnemünde in cooperation with four German research institutes (IOW, GKSS, AWI and FTZ). Twenty participants from 13 countries took part in this event. In the second half of the year, two issues of CoastLine Reports were published and made available for free download on the homepage. The homepage was revised, updated, and a database of ICZM projects was implemented. Throughout the whole year, an emphasis was put on the development of online study modules which are to be used mainly for training of students.

During the member assembly 2005 the organisation's statutes were amended allowing for the formal recognition of public utility by the local fiscal authorities. Furthermore, the new statutes permit members to vote by mail or in an online procedure. Thus, we enable members who cannot participate in the annual member assembly to assert their voices by one of the newly installed means.

Membership

The number of members did not change and was 91 on Nov 1st 2005. Several members failed to pay their membership dues in 2005 and will be reminded again. An online poll was carried out to evaluate the organisation's activities. A summary of the results can be viewed in the homepage. Four electronical member information letters were sent out to inform members about both national and international activities of and developments within the organisation.

Activities

- ➤ **Homepage**: new structure (information about association, information about coast, coastal education, EUCC-International, member domain) and more distinct profile, project data base with input and search options for public use. 4.977 visitors and approx. 13.044 page views in November (for comparison: 2.879 visitors and 6.947 page views in November 2004), > 54.000 visitors in 2005
- ▶ public relations: posters, oral presentations and promotion material at several conferences and workshops: AMK (Arbeitskreis "Geographie der Meere und Küsten") in April 2005 in Koblenz; "National ICZM-Strategies European Perspectives and Developments" in March in Berlin, "LOICZ II" (Coasts and Coastal People-Scenarios of Change and Response) in June 2005 in Egmond aan Zee, Netherlands and "First German-Polish-Coastal Dialogue" in June in Misdroy, Polen.
- ➤ **Newsletter**: 913 subscribers; 6 issues and one special edition; approx. 3.200 direct and more than 5.000 long-term downloads per issue
- ➤ **IKZM-D Lernen**: three case studies in German (Odra Mouth Region, Public Participation at Timmendorf Beach, Beach and dune management exemplified by Warnemünde), two focus modules in German (project management, EDP-Tools

- for ICZM), development of further modules for universitary teaching (Coastal Atlas Baltic Sea in German, PoMor: Polar and Marine Sciences in English)
- ➤ Events: International Summer School "Coastal and Marine Management Baltic Sea and North Sea" in cooperation with IOW, GKSS, AWI, und FTZ from September 5th − 17th in Warnemünde (http://www.eucc-d.de/summerschool2005). Annual Meeting 2005: member assembly and German ExCom meeting in March in Berlin; extraordinary member assembly in March in Warnemünde; ExCom meeting in September in Warnemünde
- ➤ Coastline Reports: issues #5 and #6 were published in cooperation with EUCC-International. B. Heinrichs, A. Schultz-Zehden & S. Toben (eds.) (2005): The INTERREG IIIB BaltCoast Project. A pilot initiative on Integrated Coastal Zone Management in the Baltic Sea (2002-2005), Coastline Reports 5; B. Glaeser, A. Sekścińska & N. Löser (eds.) (2005): Integrated Coastal Zone Management at the Szczecin Lagoon: Exchange of experiences in the region, Coastline Reports 6

New staff members

Five members were recruited to support the organisation's activities. They work on the regional information system of the ICZM-Oder project or develop online study modules. Altogether, the staff currently includes 13 members.

Projects

Several attempts have been made to participate in national projects, not competing with the EUCC-International. On the international level, EUCC-D acts only on national territory. Running projects:

- study "ICZM Baltic Sea" (report to be presented, Lighthouse Foundation, duration April 2003 until March 2004)
- CoPraNet (Interreg IIIC Projekt, duration march 2004 until February 2007)
- IKZM-Oder (BMBF, duration May 2004 until April 2007)

Aims and prospects

- fundraising (sponsoring, participation in projects, education, donations) for conduction and development of the organisation's activities
- ➤ homepage: provide seperate **infopools on specific topics** (e.g. Natura 2000)
- > homepage member domain: provide system for **online-vote and polls**
- > 100 members by the end of 2006
- > improve public relations and representation at conferences and workshops
- online study modules in preparation: coastal tourism, eutrophication, NATURA 2000, EU WFD, ICZM-Oder: ICZM and Agenda21)
- further development and fundung for project data base in cooperation with LOICZ and EUCC-IS
- self-supporting Newsletter
- Election of national ExCom and treasurers in April 2006

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Responsible: National Executive Committee